

Wheaton Urban District Advisory Committee

Mid-County Regional Center, 2424 Reddie Drive, Wheaton MD 20902

Meeting Minutes, Tuesday July 14, 2015

Members Present: Devala Janardan(Chair), Omar Lazo(Vice Chair), Derry Goberdhansingh, Mirza Donegan, Leah Haygood, Carlos Perozo, Dan Thompson, William Moore

Staff Present: Jewru Bandeh, acting Director, Mid-County Regional Center

Guests: Rebecca Peele, aide to Del. Al Carr, Lori Weitzenkorn, Tami Axelrod, Andrew Rollo, Molly Rollo, residents

Call to Order: 6:33pm by Chair Devala Janardan, followed by introduction of members and guests. A motion was made and passed to approve June meeting Minutes with one typo change

Chair Report: Devala reported that there was no info yet on Ana's replacement for Director of the Mid-County Center

Director's Report: Jewru Bandeh updated WUDAC on Redevelopment. When they have more info they will share in on the WheatonMD.org website

County Council approved a spin off of the Dept. of Economic Development.

Jewru participated in a meeting about A&E designation. He briefed us on the status of Wheaton's A&E designation and led a discussion on this with members. He recommended a letter to the County Executive and a copy to Councilmember Navarro to express our thoughts.

He reported that the Urban District just submitted proposal for a 2% reduction in budget. Deadline for CIP recommendations is August 3

Chamber Report: William Moore briefed WUDAC on that afternoon's Chamber of Commerce board meeting. He noted that any letters on Redevelopment should be sent to the Planning Board.

Subcommittee Reports:

Community Character: Mirza Donegan reported that she met with Urban District Marketing Manager Sidney Cooper about an idea for a parade in Wheaton and all that would be required to bring it to fruition.

A&E Redevelopment: Dan Thompson remarked on a powerpoint presentation he attended on plans for Lot 13. He noted the sketch has moved to a site plan.

Old Business: Leah Haygood presented a draft letter to the County Executive on Redevelopment. Discussion followed. A motion was made and passed to task Chair Janardan to incorporate changes within one week and then send it.

Leah Haygood reported on ongoing discussions of collaboration with Green Wheaton.

WUDAC Officer Elections for 2015/2016:

Devala Janardan-Chair

Omar Lazo- Vice Chair

William Moore- Secretary

Adjourn: 8:06pm